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MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE &EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWRMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABLITIES
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To Be Answered On 20.03.2018

National Sports Centres for Divyangs

3948. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up National Sports Centres for Divyangs and if so, the details thereof

(b) the number and location of Sports Centres being set up and the amount allocated in this regard ; and

(c) the other steps taken by the Government to empower Divyangs in the country during the last three years ?

Answer

Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment

(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) & (b) - Yes Sir. The Ministry proposes to establish three (3) Centres of Disability Sports at Zirakpur in Punjab, Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh and Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh. The proposed centres shall be state of the art international level centres of excellence in sports for Divyangs with the objective of providing them the training facilities at par with the latest in the world, thereby enabling them to effectively compete and win medals in various national and international events. An amount of Rs. 2.50 crore has been allocated for this purpose in Financial Year 2018-19.

(c) The major steps taken by the Government during the last three years to empower Divyangjan include the enactment and implementation of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016, launching of Accessible India Campaign for creating barrier free environment , provision of contemporary high end aids and assistive devices , Cochlear Implant surgeries for children with hearing impairment under the age of 6 years, introduction of scholarship schemes to promote education , implementation of National Action Plan for Skill Development, setting up of Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) and launching of Unique Disability ID Project with a view to create a national database for PwDs for better policy framing and implementation.

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